

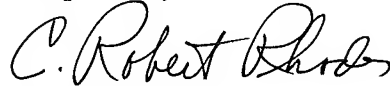
Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 13, 14, 16-18, and 20-22, remain in the case. Claims 13, 14, 16-18 and 20-22 have been rejected under 35 USC 102b as being anticipated by Published Application No. 2002/0179552 to Marraffa. Applicants call to the attention of the Examiner that the Marraffa application is the published application of Serial No. 09/989,502, filed November 20, 2001. The current application is a continuation of this same application, and therefore the rejection should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

For this reason, it is believed that the application should be passed to issuance with Claims 13, 14, 16-18 and 20-22 and such action is accordingly requested.

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